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FOR: METHOD FOR THE SPLICING OF DIGITAL SIGNALS BEFORE TRANSMISSION,  
SPLICER AND RESULTING SIGNAL

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Enclosed are:

- 21 pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- 4 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Declaration & Power of Attorney
- Claim of Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119
- Certified copy of
- An assignment conveying title in instant application to THALES, with PTO Form 1595.
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and Reference(s)
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